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HAVING A REAR BAR LOCK**Examiner:**

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment signed on April 29, 2004 for the above-identified application. In reviewing our recent submission in the above application it has come to our attention that the previously filed preliminary amendment was not signed by the undersigned attorney. For that reason we are now submitting a signed copy of a revised Preliminary Amendment.

If the undersigned attorney can be of any assistance with respect to formal matters associated with the present application, the Examiner is respectfully urged to

contact the undersigned attorney by telephone at the telephone number provided below.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT20 Mail Stop Patent Application  
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Dear Sir:

25 The present application is a Continuation Application Under 37CFR§1.53(b)(1).

Prior to the first substantive Office Action for the present application, please amend the  
application as follows:**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.****Amendments to the Claims begin on page 19 of this paper.**30 **Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 37 of this paper.****Amendments to the Abstract of the Invention begin on page 38 of this  
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